

Report of the Parks and Recreation Director

Alton Parks and Recreation~ Creating Community Through People, Parks and Programs.

Alton is a wonderful place to live. We are located in the Lakes Region with clean lakes to enjoy for swimming, boating, fishing and ice-skating. The Town is surrounded by beautiful mountain views and there are many natural resources available to us. If we stop and look at the assets we have as a community it is truly amazing. The Town is growing as people learn about the positive way of life in our community and the many activities there are to enjoy.

The Parks and Recreation- Grounds and Maintenance Department offers many personal, economic, social and environmental benefits to the residents of Alton. Physical recreation and fitness contributes to a full and meaningful life. When we are active we are happier, healthier and more productive. Recreating together builds strong families, the foundation for a stronger society. When we participate in activities with our families and friends we are building positive relationships, creating forever memories and learning life skills. Investing in the environment through parks and the provision of open space in residential areas leads to an increase in property values. When we plan for the future needs of our community for parks, recreational areas and fields we are able to secure needed areas to play and we create important resources for our future generations.

Town of Alton Parks and Recreation Facilities:

- ❑ Liberty Tree Park: waterfront park, two tennis courts, two basketball courts, sand volleyball court, skateboard park, picnic area, slide and swings, water fountain, canoe launch, park benches;
- ❑ Jones Field: baseball field, softball field, practice soccer field, playground, fishing, picnic area, canoe launch;
- ❑ Railroad Square Park: waterfront park, picnic area, swim dock, park benches, boat launch, public restrooms, flower gardens, bandstand, water fountain, fishing, public boat docks, kiosk;
- ❑ Harmony Park: picnic area, fishing, water fountain;
- ❑ Alton Bay Beach: sandy beach, restrooms, swimming, park benches;
- ❑ Alton Bay Community Center and Pearson Road Community Center: available for rental, meeting room/function hall, kitchen with stove, restrooms;
- ❑ Ginny Douglas Park: scenic flower gardens, park benches, gazebo, picnic area;
- ❑ Half Moon Lake: boat launch, picnic area;
- ❑ West Alton Beach: swim area with scenic views;
- ❑ A.V.A.S. Public Park: information kiosk, picnic area;

Town facilities are open to the public for family, group or organization events. To schedule the use of any Town facility contact the Parks and Recreation Department, 875-0109, parksrec@alton.nh.gov, www.altonparksandrecreation.com.

I would like to thank the Alton Highway and Water Departments for their expertise and assistance with our park and facility projects, and the Alton Fire and Police Departments for their assistance at our special events. A special thank you to the Garden Club, Youth Soccer Coaches and Basketball Coaches and the Parks and Recreation Commission members: William Lionetta, Melissa Wells, Dave Cumming, and Jim and Fran Washburn who donate their time, energy and ideas to the community in order for us to provide valuable services, programs and facilities. Together we are creating community through people, parks and programs.

Respectfully submitted,

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